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To: Chairman Getman and Commissioners Downey, Knox, and Swanson

From: Mark Krausse, Executive Director

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This is a summary of administrative and division activity since the report sent to you prior to the August Commission meeting.

A PERSONNEL/BUDGET

The Department of Finance has requested, by September 17th, projected cuts to reach a 20% reduction in all agency budgets. We are investigating ways of accomplishing this reduction with a minimum of staff layoffs. Office space and rent reduction, cuts to operating expenses and travel reductions are all under consideration. The attached memorandum presents several options for public comment and Commission discussion.

B. STAFF PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The Public Education Unit reviewed and offered editing suggestions for a revised conflict-of-interest pamphlet being produced by the office of the Attorney General, is underway drafting a September issue of the FPPC Bulletin, has completed a third survey for the Council on Governmental Ethics Laws, and continues to develop a publications policy and 2003 publications schedule for Commission consideration later this year.

Technical Assistance Division provided filing officer outreach visits in the cities of Corcoran and Costa Mesa, and for the Department of Industrial Relations, the Employment Development Department, and the Commission on State Mandates. The division held seminars for candidates and treasurers in Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, Lathrop, El Cajon, Windsor, and Upland. In addition, Political Reform Consultant Trish Mayer spoke at the city clerks' annual "Nuts and Bolts" meeting in Manteca.

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C. CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES/AMENDMENTS

Arroyo Seco Library Network
Employers' Training Resource
Stockton East Water District

D. FINDINGS OF PROBABLE CAUSE

None this month.